

CHAPTER 6 Thos. P. Cook to George Sells

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Thos. P. Cook & Sarah J. Cook of Benton Co., IA
NW ¼ 160 acres \$350 May 5, 1858

TO

George W. & Ann Sells

Sept. 16, 1858

George is Sarah Cook's brother. She and her children lived with George's family in 1850 census. She is not with them in the 1856 census.

Sarah Cook, George Sells and Elijah Sells are intertwined in Chapters 5, 6, and 7.

Parents: CENSUS-YEAR: 1856 STATE: Iowa COUNTY: Benton DIVISION: Taylor Township
ENUMERATOR: [unknown] ENUM.DATE:.[unknown] . MICROFILM: HQ# V221-8, FHL
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REMARKS																		
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24	15	47	55	George W.	Sells	29	M	.	X	.	1	Ohio	Farmer	X	.	.		
.	X	.	.	.	X		
24	16	47	55	Rebecca A.	Sells	25	F	.	X	.	1	Ohio		
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24	17	47	55	Alice	Sells	4	F	.	.	.	1	Ohio		
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24	18	47	55	Wilbur	Sells	3	M	.	.	.	1	Ohio		
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Deed
Know all men by these presents, that we
Thomas Scott and Mary J. Scott his wife of
Benton County, State of Iowa, in consider-
ation of the sum of Three hundred Dollars
in hand paid by Sarah J. Cook of Benton County, State of
Iowa do hereby sell and convey unto the said Sarah J. Cook
the undivided one half (1/2) of the following described premises
situated in the county of Franklin, State of Iowa to wit:
The North West quarter of Section number eight (8) in Town-
ship number thirty two (32) North of Range number twenty
one (21) West of the 5th P.M. containing one hundred and
sixty acres more or less. And we do hereby covenant with
the said Sarah J. Cook that we are lawfully seized of said
premises; that they are free from incumbrance; that we
have good right and lawful authority to sell the same and
we do here covenant to warrant and defend the said premises
against the lawful claims of all persons whomsoever. In witness
whereof we have hereunto set our hands and seal, this 5th day of May 1855.
In presence of
James Wood
State of Iowa }
Benton County }
I do certify, that before me, James Wood
a Notary Public, in and for said county,
personally appeared the above named Thomas Scott and Mary
J. Scott his wife, personally known to me to be the identical
persons whose names are affixed to the above arrangement
as grantors and acknowledged the same to be their voluntary
act and deed for the purposes therein mentioned. Given
under my hand and Notarial Seal of office at Benton, this
5th day of May A. D. 1855.
James Wood Notary Public
Benton County

Deed
Know all men by these presents, that
we, Thomas P. Cook and Sarah J. Cook
his wife, of Benton County, State of
Iowa in consideration of the sum of
Three hundred and Fifty Dollars, in hand paid by George
W. Sells of Benton County, State of Iowa in consideration
of the sum of Three hundred and Fifty Dollars, in hand
paid by George W. Sells do hereby sell and convey unto
the said George W. Sells the undivided one half of the
following described premises, situated in the county
of Franklin State of Iowa to wit: The North West
quarter of Section number eight (8) in Township
number thirty two (32) North of Range number twenty
one (21) West of the 5th P.M. containing one hundred
and sixty acres more or less and we hereby
Sixty acres more or less and we hereby

Deed
Thos. P. Cook
Sarah J. Cook
Benton Co. Ia.
to George W. Sells
350.00
1/2 +
NW 1/4
sec. 8

Thos. S
Mary J
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I can't find anyone who fits 100% but this is the most likely match for George and Ann assuming R A is Rebecca Ann. Sarah Sells Cook is living with George and Rebecca in 1850 and then sells this property to George W. and Ann Sells in 1861 for \$50 more than she bought it for 4 months earlier. Then in 1861 George sells to his father and mother for \$400. Nice tidy profit! Where did Sarah get that kind of money? Divorce settlement? I can't find her divorce. If David died, then maybe his estate? I will look into that. But why buy land in Indian Territory? If/when I find the answer I'll add it to Sarah's chapter.

1850 United States Federal Census

Name: George W Sells

Age: 24

Estimated Birth Year: abt 1826

Birth Place: Ohio

Gender: Male

Home in 1850 (City,County,State): Columbus Ward 4, Franklin, Ohio

Family Number: 319

Household Members: Name Age

George W Sells 24

Rebecca Sells 21

Sarah J Foreman 25 (Sarah J. Cook)

Deshler D Foreman 6

Laura B Foreman 3

Matilda Gaines 16

Source Citation: Year: 1850; Census Place: Columbus Ward 4, Franklin, Ohio; Roll: M432_679; Page: 258A; Image: 204.

1860 United States Federal Census

Name: Geo W Sells

Age in 1860: 33

Birth Year: abt 1827

Birthplace: Ohio

Home in 1860: Taylor, Benton, Iowa

Gender: Male

Post Office: Vinton

Value of real estate: View image

Household Members: Name Age

Geo W Sells 33

R A Sells 29

Alice Sells 8

Wilbur Sells 6

Burr Sells 4

Lincoln G Sells 8/12

Ella Greer 27

George M Greer 9

Richard Dolph 24

Source Citation: Year: 1860; Census Place: Taylor, Benton, Iowa; Roll: M653_311; Page: 867; Image: 481; Family History Library Film: 803311.Source Information:

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household. Additionally, the names of those listed on the population schedule are linked to actual images of the 1860 Federal Census.
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1860 United States Federal Census

Name: R A Sells

Residence:, Benton, Iowa

Ward: Taylor Township

Age: 29 years

Estimated Birth Year: 1831

Birthplace: Ohio

Gender: Female

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Family Number: 836

Film Number: 803311

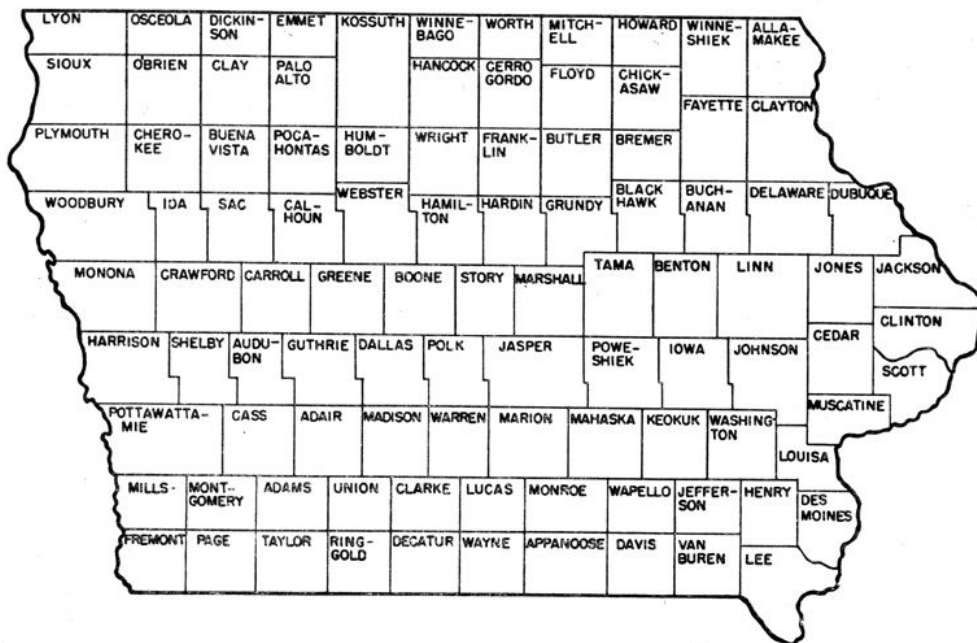
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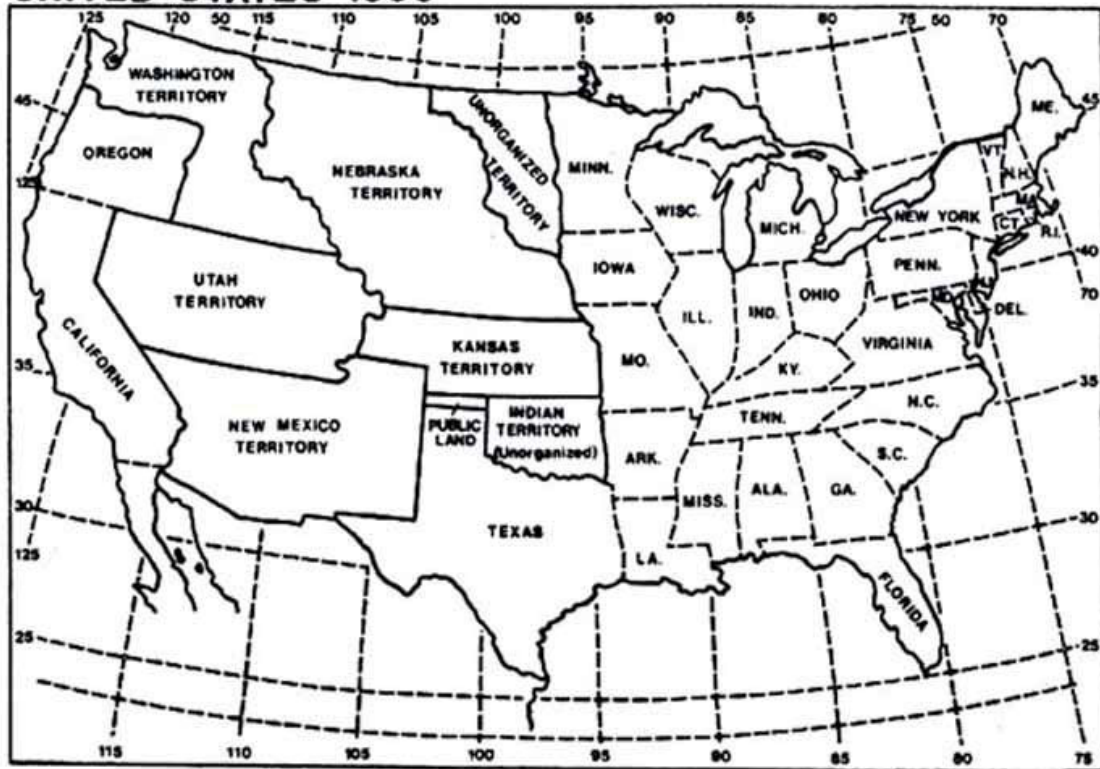
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